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Dear Jimmy,

A letter came from you today mailed the 12th. By now you are back in Naples after fifteen days at sea and I know that is always exciting. I guess all of your friends are having babies and I hope they all will be good parents. Most are not. Now the world situation is terrible and the drugs and the mean people and <sup>there are</sup> ~~it's~~ a very few good understanding parents and Mary is one of these. Her friends are getting divorces and complaining about their terrible kids. I think the new trend of not getting married in the first place is sensible. However I am glad you and Vickie are married. Vickie is also very good to Neva.

Mary had her ~~esoteric~~ meditation class last night and tonight she has

her mountains close. I skipped my exercise class this morning as two leading actresses from the soap opera "All My Children" were here in the New Bellevue Mall. It started at 9: A.M. and I got there at eight A.M. and the crowds were already arriving. Mary had to take leave to school but she raced over and got there about 20 to nine and I was able to score her a little spot on the bleachers. We were on television and it was great seeing all the famous men etc plus our favorite players. We had planned to leave early and play bridge at the Club on Mercer Island which starts at ten o'clock but we skipped that also and stayed to watch every thing. I could understand the teen ages going crazy at the rock concerts that perform here because I felt pretty excited when Nina and Daisy walked out on the platform.

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Mary's birthday is Sunday and we are planning a picnic at Green Lake. I am going to bring a nice lunch - potato salad - cold cuts - fruit - cold drinks in the thermos and Brownies.

My exercise class for an hour and a half is wonderful and even though I missed it today I did some of the exercises at 5:30 this morning when I got up. I plan to take the summer session also.

Dad likes the computer bridge game and he can't get me to play it very often but he can also play against the computer.

Mary is going on a bike Saturday and Diane is spending the night Friday night with her neighbour friend. I will pick her up there and take her to her gymnastics Sat. morning and she will spend the night here. Mike won't be home this weekend.

Must stop now.

Gary is doing fine. will be there for almost a month.

Love,  
Mona